## USDA Forest Service Cherokee National Forest

## Tellico/Hiwassee Ranger District

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## **Reward Offered For Information**

**TELLICO PLAINS, TN – March 7, 2005...** USDA Forest Service officials are offering a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the vandalism at the North River Campground in the Cherokee National Forest.

During the weekend of Feb 19-20, vandals cut down several trees and damaged campground facilities. As a result, the Forest Service has closed the North River Campground until repairs and a safety inspection can be completed.

North River Campground is a popular year round facility offering eleven campsites adjacent to North River.

Information regarding the identity of the vandals or any information pertaining to the incident can be reported to the Tellico Ranger District at 423-253-2520. Your help in obtaining information would be greatly appreciated.